

**Public Notice of EPA's Plan to Issue a Corrective Action Permit Renewal to
Chevron USA Inc and Buckeye Perth Amboy Terminal LLC in Perth Amboy, New Jersey
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**Public Notice of Proposed EPA Administrative Order On Consent for Remedial
Action for North Field Extension Property at the Chevron –Buckeye Facility**

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The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 2 is giving notice to the public that it plans to issue a corrective action permit renewal to Chevron USA Incorporated (Chevron) and Buckeye Perth Amboy Terminal LLC (Buckeye), owners of the facility located at 1200 State Street, Perth Amboy, New Jersey 08861, pursuant to the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments (HSWA) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, requiring the implementation of remedial actions necessary to clean up the soils and groundwater contamination found within the facility. Interested members of the public are welcome to comment on EPA's proposal, and may review documents about the proposed permit at the two locations listed below. The proposed permit will replace the current permit for the facility, which was issued by EPA in 1994, and will be in effect for 10 years. Written comments on the proposed permit may be submitted to EPA at the address given below and should be postmarked no later than the end of the public comment period on March 4, 2013. Comments may also be submitted electronically to the email address given below.

The Chevron-Buckeye Perth Amboy facility that is the subject of the proposed permit comprises approximately 259.5 acres, and has been in operation since 1920. Barber Asphalt Company built and operated an asphalt Refinery in 1920. The California Oil Company (that later became Chevron) purchased the property in 1946 and expanded the facility into a full-scale petroleum refinery in 1950. In 1983, Chevron shut down several process units and scaled back the refinery operation to asphalt production. In August 2012, Chevron sold a large portion of the property to Buckeye. The details of division of the ownership of Solid Waste Management Units (SWMUs) and Area of Concern (AOCs) are found in the facility map and tables 1 and 2 of revised Part-A Application dated November 13, 2012. The proposed permit will require Chevron-Buckeye to perform remedial activities to clean up onsite contamination through application of appropriate remedies to treat contaminated soil and groundwater. Among the proposed selected remedies are In-Situ Chemical Oxidation (ISCO), Excavation, and Ex-Situ Stabilization. The proposed permit also will provide for permanent onsite encapsulation of some of the remedial waste generated during the clean-up process in a Corrective Action Management Unit (CAMU). The required work will be done under the oversight of EPA and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP).

EPA also proposes to issue an Administrative Order On Consent under the Federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Section 7003 for the investigation and application of appropriate investigative and remedial activities at the Northern Parcels, a 15.5 acre site that is currently part of the Chevron Facility. The Northern Parcels site is to be acquired by North Field Extension Associates, a separate limited liability corporation, which together with several

corporate partners will be responsible for carrying out the Order's requirements.

EPA will hold a public meeting on January 30th, 2013 at 7:00 pm at the Auditorium of Raritan Bay Area YMCA located at 357 New Brunswick Avenue, Perth Amboy to discuss with the public the proposed permit and the proposed Consent Order, and to obtain public comments on these matters.

The Information Repository (especially established for the Chevron-Buckeye permit renewal and North Field Extension order), which includes the text of the proposed permit, the Statement of Basis, CAMU application, Corrective Measure Study report (CMS), a Fact Sheet and the text of the proposed Consent Order can be reviewed during normal business hours at the following locations:

Perth Amboy Public Library
196 Jefferson Street
Perth Amboy, NJ
(732) 826-2600. Ask librarian for the file location

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
RCRA Records Center
290 Broadway, 15th Floor, Room 1538
New York, NY 10007-1866
(212) 637-3042

For more information about the draft permit or the proposed Consent Order, please contact Sin-Kie Tjho, EPA Hazardous Waste Programs Branch, at (212) 637- 4115.

In addition to submitting written comments, members of the public may request in writing that a public hearing be held on the proposed permit. The request must state the issues proposed to be raised at a hearing. Both written comments and requests for a hearing may be sent to the following individual, and must be postmarked no later than March 4, 2013, or may be sent electronically to the email address below.

Mr. Adolph S. Everett
Chief, Hazardous Waste Programs Branch
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
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After the close of the public comment period, EPA will consider all significant comments and decide whether to issue the permit and whether to issue the proposed Consent Order. If a hearing is held on the proposed permit and the proposed Order, EPA will consider comments made at the hearing to be official public comments. Within 30 days after EPA's final permit decision, any person who submitted public comments or who made a statement at the hearing may petition the

Environmental Appeals Board to review the final decision based on his/her comments. Any person who fails to submit comments to EPA during the public comment period may only appeal as to any changes that may be made from the draft to the final permit. For additional details about EPA's permitting process, please consult the regulations at 40 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 124.